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SALE OF BANKS CLOSED

Stockholders of the Navajo-Apache Bank and Trust Company Ratify Sale of Company Banks to New Mexico Capitalists

A meeting of the stockholders of the Navajo-Apache Bank and Trust Company was held in Winslow last Monday, pursuant to a call previously issued. The meeting was attended by a majority of the owners of stock in the company, a number of whom are residents of Holbrook.

At this stockholders' meeting the sale of the entire business and property of the three banks operated by the company was consummated. This sale was made to T. M. Quebedeaux, president of the McKinley County Bank of Gallup, N. M., and his associates.

By the terms of the sale the liabilities of the Navajo-Apache Bank and Trust Company will be assumed by the new banks which will be operated under the names of the Arizona State Bank, of Winslow; Holbrook State Bank, of Holbrook, and St. Johns State Bank, of St. Johns. The deposits of the old banks will be assumed and protected by the new.

The new company announces that the organizations of the banks at Holbrook and St. Johns are not sufficiently complete to announce at this time, but that they will be made public at an early date. The new personnel of the Arizona State Bank of Winslow will be R. H. Tuttle, president; T. M. Quebedeaux, vicepresident; R. C. Kaufman, cashier; A. S. Bravman, assistant cashier, and L. M. Shipley, member of the board of directors. Mr. Quebedeaux was in Phoenix Wednesday and secured the incorporation permits from the corporation commission for the three banks. The authorized capital for each is as follows: Arizona State Bank of Winslow, \$40,000; St. Johns State Bank, \$40,000; Holbrook State Bank, \$20,000.

Burglars in Snowflake

The Snowflake postoffice and the general merchandise store of J. M. Flake in that town were burglarized last Saturday night. Entrance to the postoffice was gained by breaking the lock on the front door. The Flake store was entered through the front door presumably by means of a skeleton key, the door standing wide open Sunday morning when the proprietor came down town. A considerable quantity of merchandise was stolen from the Flake store, and some merchandise and stamps from the postoffice. There is no clue to the thief or thieves.

Wingate Station May Open

The proposal of the government to re-garrison Ft. Wingate in July is given further evidence of being the truth from the fact the Santa Fe railroad is making arrangements to re-open the station at Wingate. The re-garrisoning of the fort would be a benefit to this city financially and gives this whole section of country the protection of the army. The mistake was made in abandoning the fort and the news of its re-occupation is welcome in this city.—Gallup Herald.

Residence in Winslow Burglarized

Last Sunday night the residence of Dr. Ross G. Bazell in Winslow was burglarized, and jewelry to the value of \$150 was stolen. The thief cut the screen from a window in the bathroom and entered through the window. Part of the jewelry was on a dressing table in the bathroom and the balance taken was in the bedroom adjoining. At the time of the burglary the members of the family were away from home. There is no clue to the perpetrators of the crime.

Appointed Liquidating Agent

In the sale of the Navajo-Apache Bank and Trust Company to T. M. Quebedeaux and associates only a part of the assets of the company were transferred. Those assets not transferred consist of notes, mortgages and other securities; these were retained by the old corporation and will be liquidated as rapidly as possible.

The liquidation of these assets, which aggregate a large sum of money, will require considerable time, possibly two or three years, and in the liquidation some suits at law may arise. It was therefore deemed advisable by the stockholders to whom was left the business of realizing on the unsold assets of the bank to appoint as their agent an attorney. At the same time they wanted a man of good business ability, and of unimpeachable integrity. Such a man they found in Clarence H. Jordan, county attorney of Navajo county. Mr. Jordan was therefore given the appointment of liquidating agent for the stockholders, and will start work as soon as some details have been arranged.

Gun Club Doings

At the last meeting of the Holbrook Gun Club the following members were elected to serve as officers for the year of 1916: C. P. Cooley, president; W. R. Black, vice president; J. S. Hulet, secretary-treasurer; D. W. Easley, captain.

J. S. Hulet presented to the club a Challenge Trophy, which will be shot for at intervals during the coming year, beginning next Sunday, at the end of which time the trophy is to become the property of the member winning the greatest number of times during the term of competition.

The regular registered tournament will be held this year, the date to be announced later.

The winner of high average on all 16-yard targets shot during the season of 1916 will be awarded a railway ticket to the State Tournament at Phoenix, this fall.

The scores made were as follows: Black, 25; Cooley, 23; Patterson, 23; Rencher, 23; Hulet, 20; Easley, 19; Cooley, 20.

Mrs. Thomas Entertains

Mrs. D. J. Thomas was a gracious hostess to members of the Auction Bridge club and a few other guests last Tuesday afternoon. Three tables were arranged for and a delightful afternoon was spent by those present.

Salted nuts in dainty baskets and candy were served during the games. The prize for the highest score was won by Mrs. P. T. Coleman, Mrs. C. E. Perkins winning second. Bunches of roses were also given as other prizes, and sweet peas were used as favors.

"Sky-Hi" City to Celebrate

Flagstaff is opening a campaign for a big celebration, July 3rd and 4th, the affair to be in charge of the Elks Lodge and the proceeds to be used to help build an Elks Home in that city. No effort will be spared to make this event a success and a program full of entertaining features is being worked out.

Register Opens First

Monday in May

Under our law biennial registrations, are required. Section 2883 of the revised statutes of Arizona, 1913, reads:

"It shall be the duty of every elector in the state of Arizona, between the first Monday in May and the 28th day of October 1914, and between the same dates biennially thereafter, to register with some notary public or justice of the peace, or with the county recorder of the county in which the elector resides, in accordance with this chapter."

Wetzler's carry a full line of galvanized steel tanks.—Adv.

Dr. J. W. Bazell was a business visitor to Winslow last Monday.

Lew H. Mickey, livestock inspector, left here Monday to attend to business at the Wallace ranch.

The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of Arizona will meet in Bisbee next Monday for a four days' session.

Ed Howell, supervisor of Apache county, spent last Saturday and Sunday in Holbrook. He was accompanied by his wife.

A road bond election has been called in Coconino county for May 2. The proposition of issuing bonds in the sum of \$250,000 for road improvement purposes will be decided by the taxpayers of the county at that election.

Wm. Morgan and family arrived in Holbrook Wednesday morning from Sawtelle, Cal., where they had spent the winter. They will go to their home at Lakeside as soon as the storm abates. The trip from California was made by automobile.

Mrs. Braxton entertained with an informal bridge party last Saturday afternoon. Auction was played and after the cards light refreshments were served. Prizes were carried away by Mrs. C. E. Perkins, Mrs. Henry Warren and Mrs. J. Frank Matthews.

Robert Scott of Mesa arrived in Holbrook Tuesday evening and remained until Wednesday night. Mr. Scott amassed a fortune in the wool growing business in Navajo county, retiring from the business a few years ago and moving to Mesa. He is still heavily interested in business institutions in Holbrook.

An election will be held in the Winslow school district Saturday, April 22, for the purpose of deciding whether or not \$40,000 in bonds shall be issued by the district for the purpose of increasing the school facilities in the district. A new primary school building is provided for in the proposition; also a new south side school building, and the remodeling of the north side school building. The Santa Fe company, through Superintendent Tuttle, has offered to donate a site for a public library to the city, provided a suitable building is erected thereon.

Frank Wallace returned last Friday morning from El Paso with a shipment of yearling Hereford bulls which he purchased at that place. The animals were purchased by Mr. Wallace for himself and other cattlemen in this county. Geo. W. Hennessey, who accompanied Mr. Wallace to El Paso, made a side trip to Amarillo and did not reach Holbrook until Friday evening.

A large number of farmers in Coconino county will plant potatoes this year, the soil and climate of that section of the state having been found well adapted to the growing of this vegetable. This is an example that might be followed by the farmers in Navajo county. Good potatoes may be grown on the mesas without irrigation, and there is no branch of the farming industry that pays better profits than potato raising, when sufficient quantities are grown to make it profitable to ship in car load lots.

The Holbrook base ball club trimmed the Snowflake club last Saturday afternoon on the Holbrook grounds by a score of 19 to 7. The game was too one-sided to be very interesting although a fair size crowd remained on the grounds until the close. The Snowflake boys claimed that they were working several inexperienced men, but it is doubtful if the result would have been different had all the regulars been in the play. The Holbrook boys played good ball and their victory Saturday was easy.

At a regular meeting of the local Masonic lodge last Saturday night the matter of building a temple in Holbrook was placed in the hands of a building committee composed of Alphonse Blum, J. C. Paulsell and G. W. Hennessey. This committee was authorized to proceed with the details of securing plans and specifications for a building, and to get an estimate of the cost of the structure. It is probable that the committee will soon have final arrangements made for the starting of the building.

A call has been issued for the annual meeting of the Arizona Good Roads Association, in conjunction with the Arizona Association of Highway Engineers, to be held May 15 and 16 at the rooms of the chamber of commerce in Phoenix. The call is signed by Dwight B. Heard, president of the good roads association, and Lamar Cobb, president of the engineers association.

T. M. Quebedeaux, president of the McKinley County Bank of Gallup, and Attorney Sam Bushman, of Gallup, were in Holbrook Tuesday attending to business in connection with the purchase of the Navajo-Apache Bank and Trust company, the details of which were arranged at a meeting of stockholders in Winslow Monday.

L. C. Henning, cashier of the Holbrook branch of the Navajo-Apache Bank and Trust Co., and Geo. W. Hennessey and J. C. Paulsell, stockholders, attended the meeting of the stockholders of the bank held last Monday in Winslow. They made the trip by automobile.

Richard Harding Davis, noted author and war correspondent, died at his home in Mount Kisco, N. Y., Tuesday night from heart disease. Davis was a prolific writer of short stories and war dramas, and his writings gained great popularity a few years ago.

How about electric fixtures for your home? Call on W. H. Clark; he has catalogs from which you can select, and will make delivered prices, cash with order.—Adv. tf.

Geo. V. Robinson, proprietor of a prosperous trading store at Maddox, was in Holbrook for supplies last Saturday. While here Mr. Robinson enrolled himself as a subscriber to The News, and will keep posted as to the news of the county.

Considerable rain has fallen in this section of the state during the past few days. The rain came in an opportune time and will prove to be of great benefit to the range grasses.

Try a loaf of the Holbrook Bakery's Cream Nut health bread. Home-made candies and all kinds of pies and cakes made to order.—Adv. tf.

Place your orders now for coal with the Carbon City Lumber Co. They handle the Victor American Fuel Co's lump coal, best on the market.—Adv. tf.

Miss Ethel Greer, county recorder of Apache county, has been spending the week at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. Patterson, in Holbrook.

Captain and Mrs. Henry Warren, of the Aztec ranch, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Perkins Saturday and Sunday.

Everybody is cleaning up; Why not you? See Wetzler's for garden tools, seeds, wheelbarrows, etc.—Adv.

Dr. Swigert, the well known optician, will visit Holbrook next Thursday, April 20, and will be at Hotel Holbrook for one day only.

Mr. and Mrs. Burr W. Porter, of Navajo, were guests at the Central hotel last Saturday and Sunday.

C. I. Houck of Winslow was a business visitor to Holbrook Tuesday.

Read the advertising columns of The News; it will pay you.

Judge and Mrs. D. J. Thomas and Mrs. W. B. Woods made an automobile trip to Winslow Monday.

Mrs. Frank Wallace left here last Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Geo. W. Hennessey, in Long Beach, Cal.

For fresh fruit and vegetables see Wetzler's; also mail orders filled.—Adv.

W. A. Saunders, the well known cattle man of St. Johns, spent several days in Holbrook this week.

Julius Wetzler has returned to Holbrook after an absence of several weeks which were passed at his home in Los Angeles.

The Holbrook base ball club will go to Winslow Saturday for a game with the high school club of that town.

Superintendent Wm. Peterson, of the Whiteriver Indian Agency, returned last Saturday from an official visit to Washington, D. C.

The Holbrook News has changed to a seven column four page paper and continues to show signs of prosperity and progressiveness.—Flagstaff Sun.

Mrs. L. H. Burke pleasantly entertained the Crochet Circle Thursday afternoon at her home in Holbrook. Guests other than members were Mrs. Fred Wetzler and daughter Regina.

G. A. Bernard returned to Holbrook last Sunday from Fillmore, Cal., where he had been living for the past few months. Mr. Bernard was an employee of the McLaws garage when he was here last fall, and will probably take a position there again.

Mrs. J. W. Richards returned Sunday night from a short visit with her son Paul, who is a student in the State Normal school in that city. Paul is making a good record in his work, he having made a general average of 86 in his last examinations.

In a few days a motor truck with a hauling capacity of 3,000 pounds will be put on the mail route through this county. D. K. Udall, the mail contractor, has been at Holbrook several days getting the big machine ready to put on the road.—St. Johns Observer.

The new school building in St. Joseph is a handsome structure. It is constructed of Gallup pressed brick, the Mission style of architecture being followed; the floors are hard wood and the interior decorations are beautiful. The building will be finished in a short time and will be ready for use.

The Winslow Mail states that H. A. Cheverton, who has been connected with the Navajo-Apache Bank & Trust Co. at Winslow for several months, has resigned his position and has gone to Los Angeles, where he will accept a position with the Continental National bank of that city.

Prof. Joseph Peterson, county superintendent of schools, was in Phoenix Monday and Tuesday attending the annual meeting of the county superintendents of the state. Nearly all of the counties in the state were represented by their superintendents.

Joe Root, a real estate dealer of Albuquerque, was in Holbrook a few days this week. Mr. Root was formerly in the life insurance business, and at that time wrote considerable business in this territory. He is now devoting his time entirely to real estate.

Henry J. Platt, acting under instructions of the Apache County Livestock Association, of which he is secretary, has posted notices throughout Apache county offering a reward of \$250 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons unlawfully handling any cattle or horses belonging to any member of said association.—St. Johns Observer.

It now seems likely that the only way the U. S. troops will ever get the Mexican bandit, Villa, is by fighting and subduing the whole country. Carranza, first chief of the republic and the protege of President Wilson, has demanded the withdrawal of the troops now in pursuit of Villa. Should the president refuse to withdraw the troops, it will probably mean a fight with the combined forces of Villa and Carranza. The people of the United States will await with anxiety the decision of the chief executive.

The Pastime orchestra has been improved and strengthened by the addition of two new players. J. F. Snow of Salt Lake city now plays the trap drums and J. F. Fisher of Pueblo, Colorado, plays the violin. The orchestra as now reorganized includes the two mentioned and F. H. Hathorn, violinist, Mr. Johnson, cornetist, and Mrs. Black, pianist. The music furnished by this orchestra is proving a splendid drawing card for the moving picture entertainments and dances given at this theater.

Last Saturday morning in superior court divorce decrees were granted by Judge Sapp to the plaintiffs in the following suits: Annie B. Edwards vs. Earl Edwards; Olive A. Jones vs. Chas. B. Jones. Attorney E. P. Conwell represented the plaintiffs in both cases, the defendants making no appearance. All the parties reside in Winslow.

Miss Dora Baca, the 18 year old daughter of Mrs. Juan Baca, of Heber, died last Tuesday morning in Mesa, where she was attending school. Her death was caused by pneumonia. The body will be brought to Holbrook today and will be taken to Heber for burial.

Rev. J. Rockwood Jenkins, archdeacon of the Episcopal church of Arizona, will conduct religious services in the Holbrook Methodist church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Special music has been prepared and this will include selections appropriate to the Palm Sunday service. The public is cordially invited to attend.

A. Warren, the merchant tailor, has just received his lines of spring and summer suitings. They contain some very attractive patterns and he will be glad if the public will call and inspect them. The ladies are especially invited to call, as his samples of ladies suits are the best he has ever shown.—Adv. tf.

The Mutual Improvement Association of the L. D. S. church gave a social and musical program in the auditorium of the church last Monday evening. A bazaar for the sale of lunches was conducted and a nice sum of money was realized. A large number of people attended and the occasion was a very enjoyable one.

American Beauty roses, 75 cents per dozen. G. L. Strathley, 1021 E. Culver St., Phoenix, Arizona.—Adv.

Frank Campbell, the well known cattleman of Snowflake, was in Holbrook a few days this week buying supplies.

Les Hart of Flagstaff was in this county this week looking after his livestock interests.

Geo. W. Hennessey expects to leave tomorrow to visit his family in Long Beach, Cal.

No reason why you should not have a Piano in your home. See Wetzler's.—Adv.

Miss Rose Scorse has been visiting relatives in Phoenix for the last few weeks.

Hyrum Richards of St. Joseph was a business visitor to Holbrook yesterday.

Palm Sunday, April 16
Services at the Methodist Church at 11:30 A. M.
Sermon by Archdeacon J. Rockwood Jenkins.
Special Music
Solo: The Holy City—Mrs. Taft
Chorus: The Palms, Choir.
Everybody Invited.

Field Notes from the Office of the County Engineer

That portion of the Winslow-Holbrook road near Clear Creek has been surfaced with a coat of gravel, making an excellent road bed. This is a piece of work which has been needed for a long time. With little exception the whole road is now in good condition.

A section of the St. Joseph road has been graded and crowned and as soon as the concrete water way is finished will be another long called for improvement.

Work on Contract No. 17-1916, on the Kean's Canyon road, is now in progress and probably will be finished the coming week.

Forms for the final pouring of concrete of the Shumway bridge are now in place, but the present rains will delay this work again.

Concrete pouring of the west abutment of the Taylor bridge is nearly completed and the repairs of the steel work are in progress. All of this work will be now pushed to a completion.

Several contracts on the Snowflake and Petrified Forest roads will soon be started.

Contract No. 13-1916, between Snowflake and Taylor, was awarded March 18, 1916, to a resident of Snowflake, but work has not yet been commenced.

Owing to the work in progress in the different parts of the county the engineer's car is continually on the road.

Petitions for new roads and alterations of old ones continue to be presented in increasing numbers. The surveys and maps of those already declared are necessarily somewhat delayed.

The Snowflake bridge across Silver Creek is a total wreck and two entirely new spans will be placed. The old alignment was faulty and the cause of its demolishment.

Relative to changes in locations of bridges and the present traveled roads, it is advisable before any permanent work is performed to have these matters finally settled. Petitions for all changes should be sent to this office so that all necessary legal steps can be properly attended to.

The new county road planer (Uncle Jim) is now at Holbrook and on the arrival of the Caterpillar Tractor, which has been shipped from the factory at Stockton, will be placed in use.

On the whole, road business is picking up.

Tell your road troubles to the engineer and he will do his best to satisfy all.

CHARLES E. PERKINS,
County Engineer.

Plans Submitted for School Building

R. H. Tuttle, division superintendent of the Santa Fe Railroad company, and R. H. Wells, the company's architect, were in Holbrook yesterday and spent considerable time in consultation with the local school board relative to the proposed new school building.

Mr. Wells had prepared a set of blue-print plans for a building, which he estimates can be constructed for the amount of money available. These plans provide for a building 50 by 78 feet in size with two full stories and a basement under the entire building. The Kewanee water system is specified and brick is to be used in the construction.

Some slight alterations were suggested by members of the school board and these will be incorporated into the plans by Mr. Wells, and specifications will be prepared by him. The board will then be in a position to ask for bids on the building.

Notice to Lovers of Music
We beg to announce that we have secured the agency of the Baldwin Piano Company and shall carry a stock of Pianos and Players.
Call and investigate.
—Adv. Wetzler Supply Co.